

The Tail is **Not** Wagging the Dog

The tail is <u>not</u> wagging the dog on President Trump's tariff and trade policy escalation. Lower 10 yr UST yields are <u>not</u> a primary driver of US trade strategy as many have suggested, but rather, an ancillary side effect driven by safe haven flows and growth concerns. The rate selloff this week, from lows just days earlier, point to a market now concerned about growth <u>and</u> inflation.



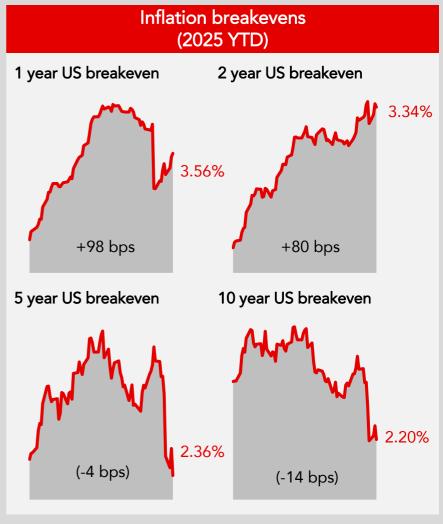
Markets Pricing More Concerning Stagflation Scenario

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With the effective date for higher universal and reciprocal tariffs now in place, the market has begun to price in more ominous stagflation scenarios.



+101 bps



(-42 bps)

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Source: (1-9) Bloomberg. Data as of April 9, 2025.

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